

POLITICAL TALK

The question as to whether there is a desirable opening in politics for a young man who has enough money to support him, was treated in an interesting manner in the Omaha *World-Herald* the other day. The ideas advanced were not particularly new; but they were interesting enough to attract a good deal of attention.

Politics ought to be the most promising field for an independent young man of principle; but it isn't. It is the best thing in the world to stay out of.

The modern view of politics is that it is a possible short cut to success, and the political world is filled with adventurers who make chessmen of those beneath them and gamble with votes. Principle is as far removed from them as the stars are from the earth. Self is the desideratum, and any sacrifice will be made to accomplish the desired end.

There are some very good men in politics; but there are not many of them. They get into politics by accident, and somehow, they are not very proud of their being there. There are some young men in politics who are everything that is honorable. But in most cases they soon get disgusted and quit, or else they are influenced by their environment, and degenerate into mere political adventurers.

Politics ought to be the highest calling. It is in reality, the lowest. A decent man in politics has to spend his life in making excuses for being there. There are elements in modern politics that appeal to a man's cupidity and avarice and selfishness in such a way that few men are able to resist.

Church Howe has been at the Lincoln hotel for several weeks, during his recovery from a dangerous surgical operation. Up to a few days ago he was confined to his room, and politicians from out in the state have made it a practice to drop in and see the invalid. "In this way," he remarked to a *Courier* representative yesterday, "I have had an excellent opportunity to learn the feeling, politically, in different parts of the state, and I am justified in saying that the outlook for the republican party in the next state election is very bright. It seems to me that there will be no difficulty in electing a republican ticket, provided good men are selected. And I think the republicans can obtain control of the next legislature." Mr. Howe is also of the opinion that it will be a comparatively easy matter to elect a republican congressman in this district.

It is beginning to be manifest from the movements of leading populists and Bryan democrats that an effort will be made in this state to unite all voters who believe in the free coinage of silver, whether they are populists, democrats or republicans, in a common cause for the purpose of electing a state ticket and members of the legislature, the ultimate idea being, of course, to capture the United States senatorship. Those who are interested in this movement are in favor of nominating Bryan for governor, and some strong populist for lieutenant governor, as outlined in *THE COURIER* some weeks ago, the intention being to push Bryan for the senate. This scheme is regarded as an exceedingly probable possibility by scores of well-informed politicians. Should this be done the issue in Nebraska will be the silver question. The republican party would naturally retain its position in favor of honest money. What the *Call* and *Nexes* in this city would do we are unable to say. Both claim to be republican papers and both advocate the free silver heresies.

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To make your leaping blood run slow! How old, how grave, how wise, we grow!

What Christmas ghost can make us chill Save these that troop in mournful row— The ghosts we all can raise at will!

The beasts can talk in barn and brye On Christmas eve, old legends know. As one by one the years retire, We men fall silent then, I trow—

Such sights has memory to show, Such voices from the distance thrill. Ah, me! they come with Christmas snow— The ghosts we all can raise at will.

Oh, children of the village choir, Your carols on the midnight throw! Oh, bright across the mist and mire, Ye ruddy hearts of Christmas glow! Beat back the shades, beat down the woe, Renew the strength of moral will; Be welcome, all, to come or go— The ghosts we all can raise at will.

Friend, sursum corda, soon or slow, We part, like guests who've joyed their fill; Forget them not, nor mourn them so— The ghosts we all can raise at will.

—Andrew Lang.

MERRY XMAS.

TRADE IN CHRISTMAS TREES.

We now require a million or two of young evergreens for Christmas trees, and these, too, are cut and stored away in good time, the choppers often going into the woods soon after the first of November. A fall of snow in November or December greatly increases the difficulty, because the snow is apt to melt and freeze, rendering the branches too brittle for transportation. The woodmen therefore like to get their work forward and pile their trees in the woods along-side the road, where they will keep fresh and green for six weeks.

The largest market for Christmas trees is Philadelphia, whence they are distributed to all parts of the country within 1,000 miles. The woodmen get from \$6 to \$8 a hundred for their trees, which sell in the cities at prices ranging from 50 cents to \$3.

As for Christmas presents, they give employment to many important trades, the work upon which is continuous from the first of January to the last of December. Some knowing grandmothers and ingenious aunts, to say nothing of uncles and grandfathers, are on the look-out all the year for Christmas surprises, which they hide away in unfathomable recesses, sometimes forgotten by themselves.

WHEN MEN OPEN THEIR HEARTS.

There is nothing more effective or oft quoted than those lines from the "Christmas Carol" of Charles Dickens: "There are many things from which I might have derived good, by which I have not profited, I dare say," returned Scrooge's nephew, "Christmas among the rest. But I am sure I have always thought of Christmas when it has come round—apart from the veneration due to its sacred name and origin, if anything belonging to it can be apart from that—as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time; the only time I know of in the long calendar of the year when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut up hearts freely and to think of people below them, as if they really were fellow passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. And therefore, uncle, though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that it has done me good and will do me good, and I say, God bless it!"

MERRY XMAS.

ORIGIN OF CAROLS.

The singing of carols on Christmas eve and Christmas day is of mediæval origin. A carol should be simple and melodious. There are many fine specimens of them, but most of them are not fine. Here is the first verse of a favorite and ancient and famous one:

God rest you, merry gentlemen: Let nothing you dismay, For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Was born upon this day. To save us all from Satan's power, When we had gone astray, Oh, tidings of comfort and joy, For Jesus Christ, our Saviour, Was born on Christmas day.

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In addition to this general benediction we have a few special requests to make of Santa Claus, and as they are particularly modest, we are sure they will be granted.

We want—

Some anti-fat for Charley Burr, and a jumping rope for Tom Cooke, some nerve medicine for A. Koch-Andriano, and a hobby horse for Mayor Weir, a hearty, baby laugh for Lew Marshall and a Greek god's form and phiz for W. F. Kelley, a pair of whiskers for Theodore Westermann, Fred C. Howe, and Lew Wessel, a couple of million blank decrees of divorce for Lancaster county's district judges, a circulation expert for the *Evening News*, an audience for Frank Burr when he sings, and a little self-confidence for C. O. Whedon; a little style for Frank Zehring, and a becoming degree of shyness for Benam G. Dawes.

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